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SUBJ: 59TH ECOSOC: PREPARATIONS FOR 7TH SS - INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS

SUMMARY: INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS BETWEEN G-77 AND
SOCIALISTS, CHINA, NORDICS, NEW ZEALAND/AUSTRALIA,
AND EC-9 HAVE TRANSPIRED WITHOUT ANY VISIBLE CHANGES
OF POSITION. EC-9 CONSULTATION WENT SOUR. END
SUMMARY

1. ACCORDING TO SOVIET DEL, SOCIALISTS/G-77 CONSULTATION
CONSISTED OF RE-HASHING WELL KNOWN POSITIONS ON BOTH
SIDES. SOVS REASSERTED THEIR WORN THEMES OF DETENTE
NECESSARY FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, ROB, STATE SECTOR,
ETC., ETC. ACCORDING TO G-77 SOURCE, THEY EXPECTED
NOTHING MORE FROM SOCIALISTS AND WERE DISTURBED
ONLY BY PROSPECT THAT IF G-77 ACCEPTED
AGENDA ITEM FROM US THEY WOULD BE FORCED TO BE
"EVEN-HANDED" AND ACCEPT ITEMS FROM SOVS. SOVS
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SIGNALLED G-77 THROUGH US DEL THAT THEY EXPECTED NO

SUCH EVEN-HANDEDNESS AND WOULD NOT MAKE AN ISSUE OUT OF MATTER SINCE FORCING ISSUE MIGHT CAUSE US TO LOSE ITS OBJECTIVE IN ADDING FOOD TO AGENDA.

2. CHINESE CONSULTATION WAS EVEN MORE PRO FORMA. CHINESE DELIVERED USUAL BOILER PLATE, IE., ALL PROBLEMS FAULT OF TWO SUPERPOWERS; ADDING A LAST BIT OF NEW VITRIOL TO THE EFFECT THAT ACTIONS OF SUPERPOWER WHICH CALLS ITSELF SOCIALIST IS REVOLTING ENOUGH TO CAUSE ONE TO VOMIT. G-77 SOURCES HAVE INFORMED US DEL THEY REALLY EXPECTED NOTHING ELSE FROM CHINESE AND CONSULTATIONS ESTABLISHED MERELY FOR PROTOCOL PURPOSES.

3. NORDICS PREDICTABLY IN THEIR CONSULTATION SHOWED GREAT SYMPATHY WITH G-77 OBJECTIVES BUT RAISED QUESTIONS AS TO VIABILITY OF MEANS TO SOLVE PROBLEMS. G-77 REACTION GENERALLY WAS NORDICS SHOULD FREE THEMSELVES FROM EMOTIONAL TIES TO "HARD-LINERS". THIS SHOULD BE READ TO MEAN FRG AND USG.

4. IN BRIEFING BY AMB VINCI (EC-9), HE INFORMED AMB FERGUSON THAT TONE OF MEETING WITH EC-9 WAS DECIDEDLY UNACCEPTABLE. EC-9 WAS CROSS-EXAMINED PRINCIPALLY BY ALGERIA, YUGOSLAVIA AND ROMANIA IN VERY HOSTILE FASHION. ALGERIA, FOR EXAMPLE, ASSERTED THAT G-77 WAS NOT SATISFIED WITH "PERFORMANCE" OF EC-9 AND PRESENTATION, IN HIS WORDS, "WAS TOO GENERAL AND LACKED CONCRETE PROPOSALS". YUGOSLAVIA ACCUSED EC-9 OF SINKING TO LEVEL OF LOWEST COMMON DENOMINATOR. ROMANIA FOLLOWED BY ASSERTING THAT EC-9 REALLY HAD NOT MADE BASIC POLITICAL DECISION TO BE RESPONSIVE AND WERE ATTEMPTING TO PULL WOOL OVER THE EYS OF UNDER-DEVELOPED. IVORY COAST, JAMAICA AND BRAZIL MUCH MORE CONCILIATORY INDICATING APPRECIATION OF UNITY OF EC-9 AT LEAST OF LEVEL OF BEING RECEPTIVE AND SYMPATHETIC TO G-77. AT END OF MEETING ALGERIA RANKLED PARTICULARLY FRENCH, FRG, AND UK BY REPEATING PERFORMANCE OF EC-9 UNSATISFACTORY AND THEY SHOULD RETURN WEDNESDAY, JULY 30, FOR FURTHER EXCHANGES. REACTIONS BY UK, CONFIDENTIAL

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FRG, AND FRENCH WERE THEY WERE NOT SCHOOL BOYS TO BE TOLD THE HAD FLUNKED EXAMINATION AND MUST COME BACK TO GIVE RIGHT ANSWERS. EC-9 DECIDED TO INVITE G-77 TO EC-9 HEADQUARTERS IN GENEVA FOR SECOND SESSION WHICH WAS PRE-EMPTIVELY REJECTED BY ALGERIA. VINCI'S SUMMATION WAS THAT CONSULTATION PRECEPTIVELY SOUR.

5. WE HAVE NO REPORT AT MOMENT REGARDING OUTCOME

OF CONSULTATIONS WITH JAPANESE AND AUSTRALIA/NEW ZEALAND.

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